

ethnicities, religions, occupations and other groups and historical material from every state in the union. The collection contains more than 6,000 recordings of American Indian songs, chants, and prayers first recorded on wax cylinders dating as far back as 1890, and uses digital technology to preserve and ensure tribal access to this material.

During its forty-year history, the American Folklife Center has worked closely with state and local folklife programs, local scholars, and cultural institutions, and has engaged the general public to provide expertise on preservation, archiving and public programming, enabling diverse ways to understand our history and cultural heritage.

These projects and collections are just a sampling of the important work done in the Folklife Center by its wonderful staff to preserve and present American folklife and cultural history. I commend the good work of the American Folklife Center, and offer congratulations on forty years of service to this nation.

HONORING ANETTE L. HARRIS

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Anette Harris, an exceptional philanthropist and civic leader who is being recognized by the Junior League of San Francisco for her lifelong commitment to volunteerism and community leadership. I have had the great privilege to work with Anette over the last decade and to call her a close friend.

Anette has dedicated her life and career to improving the lives of others. While she had been the principal and owner of Loupé & Associates, a public relations firm in San Francisco, for 20 years, Anette has always made it a priority to serve organizations advocating for education, equality, health and the arts. Her broad range of interests is a reflection of her giant heart and mind.

Anette is a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Public Radio Foundation based in Washington, DC. She serves on NARAL's Power of Choice Leadership Council in San Francisco. In 2000, she was the first African-American elected to the Junior League of San Francisco in its 90 year history. Today she serves as its president and just last year received its Sustainer of the Year Award. Anette also is the co-chair of San Francisco Achievers Advisory Council, a program dedicated to the educational successes of the University of Dallas, and now is an advisor to the new College of Podiatric Medicine of Western University. She is the president of the San Francisco Symphony Marine League, the Women's Political Fund, a nonpartisan group supporting female candidates, the vice president of the San Francisco Black Chamber of Commerce and Alumnae Resources, a career search group, and a board member of the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library.

You may wonder how one person has the energy to do all these jobs, but Anette does and then some. Until recently, she also served for over ten years on the Board of Governors of the San Francisco Symphony. She has been instrumental in many fundraising efforts to address breast cancer, HIV, arthritis and lit-

eracy for some of the most respected organizations and foundations.

The roots of Anette's passion and support of women's health, education and business and the arts go back to her parents who were married for 53 years. Her father, Edwin Lee, played many instruments and is in the Houston Museum of Jazz and Blues Musicians. He also taught her invaluable lessons about business and entrepreneurship. Anette's mom, Florence Harris, was the inspiration for her deep involvement in education. A full time homemaker with a creole heritage, Anette's mom believed that education didn't just occur in the classroom, but at home.

Born and raised in Houston, Texas, Anette earned her BA from the University of Dallas and her Master's at Boston College. She immediately landed a job at Holy Cross where she was instrumental in admitting the first class of women to the formerly all-male college. She later attended the Executive Program in Strategy & Organization at the Graduate School of Business at Stanford University.

Anette moved to San Francisco in 1976 and worked as the Director of Admissions and Public Relations at the California College of Podiatric Medicine. Three years later she married Marc Loupé her partner in life and business. In the rare moments when they are not working, Anette and Marc share an interest in wine, a hobby they began while dating. Anette also enjoys gardening and landscaping.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Anette Harris for her countless contributions to our community. She is an extraordinary leader, mentor and role model who never tires in her efforts to make the world a better place.

CELEBRATING THE UKRAINIAN
NATIONAL MUSEUM

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the founding of the Ukrainian National Museum in 1952 by three displaced scholars, Olexa Hankewych, Julian Kamenetsky, and Orest Horodysky.

The Ukrainian National Museum is dedicated to the collection of documents, presentation and exhibition of artifacts sharing Ukrainian culture and heritage. Its collection consists of more than 100,000 museum archives related to the history and legacy of Ukraine and Chicago's Ukrainian community, and 10,000 artifacts related to traditional folk and fine arts.

Today, the Ukrainian National Museum is highlighted as one of the finest achievements of the Ukrainian American community in the U.S. It features an important part of Chicago's history and is a respected institution for Ukrainian Americans throughout the United States.

The Ukrainian National Museum occupies a vital place in the cultural world of the Ukrainian Diaspora in America. It is visited and appreciated by people of many ethnic backgrounds coming from all over the world.

A main reason the Ukrainian National Museum is such an impressive institution is due

to the hard work of many devoted individuals, one of whom is Jaroslaw J. Hankewych, son of one of UNM's founders, Olexa Hankewych. Mr. Jaroslaw J. Hankewych served on the Museum Executive Board for over 40 years, and from 2000 to 2014, served as President of the Ukrainian National Museum.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and celebrating Jaroslaw Hankewych's work and accomplishments, and also the many contributions of the Ukrainian American community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 222 I was inadvertently detained. Had I been present, I would have voted Yes.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 199TH
INFANTRY BRIGADE

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the 199th Infantry Brigade unit of Fort Benning for their accomplishments in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam war. The 50th anniversary of the activation of this courageous and noble unit is on June 1, 2016.

The 199th Infantry Brigade, also known as the Redcatchers, was reactivated on June 1, 1966 at Fort Benning, Georgia as the only "separate" and "light" infantry brigade to serve in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam war. It also became the first integrated combat command in the history of the United States Army when Frederic E. Davison was named Brigade Commander on September 1, 1968. He went on to become the first African American to be promoted to Major General in the Army and commanded the 8th Infantry Division and the Military District of Washington. General Davison was the first African American to command a combat brigade, a division, and the Military District of Washington, in addition to being the first African American to attend and graduate from the Army War College. The members of 199th Infantry Brigade were truly groundbreaking in the way they helped to integrate the U.S. Army.

The Redcatchers were a distinguished and honorable brigade that received many merits. The brigade earned several unit awards including the Presidential Unit Citation, Valorous Unit Award, the Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, and the Republic of Vietnam Civil Actions Honor Medal. Four members of the brigade were awarded the Medal of Honor, including Captain Angelo J. Liteky, a battalion chaplain, for his actions in saving the lives of wounded soldiers. Brigade General William R. Bond was the only commanding general killed in ground combat in the Vietnam War.

The 199th Infantry Brigade was disbanded in 1970 but on June 27, 2007, the 11th Infantry Regiment was redesignated as the 199th